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Re: Application Serial No. 09/603,677
 Attorney Docket No. 00-004
 Titled: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTING A SUPPLEMENTAL PRODUCT TO OFFER
 FOR SALE DURING A TRANSACTION"
 In the name of: Mueller et al.

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Per our conversation, attached and for your consideration please find copies of the following:

- PTO Form-1449 filed April 3, 2003;
- PTO Form-1449 filed April 18, 2004;
- PTO Form-1449 filed June 26, 2000; and
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	H	5,201,010	4/6/93	Deaton et al.	382	7	
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	F	6,088,682	07/11/00	Burke	705	17	✓		
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	I	US 6,223,163 B1	04/24/01	Van Luchene	705	1	✓		
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	4	5592560	1997-01-07	Deaton et al.			
	5	5583763	1996-12-10	Atcheson et al.			
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